

First Presbyterian Church

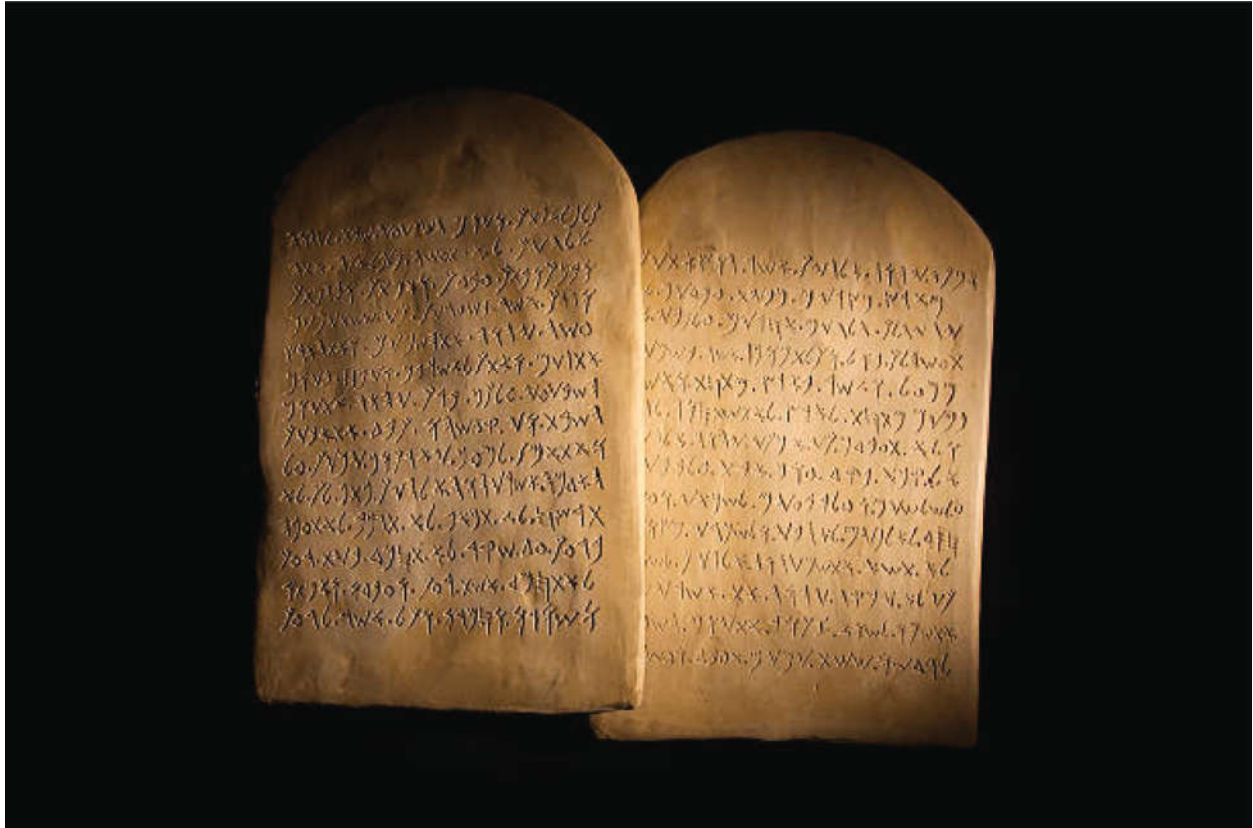
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Who is First Presbyterian Church?

We belong to the family of the Redeemed.
Transformed by the grace of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection,
we are delighting in the supremacy of God in all things
as we reach up to Him in worship,
reach in to one another with biblical teaching and shepherding care,
and reach out to the world with Christ.

So that in everything He might be preeminent.
Colossians 1:18

Welcome!

We are so glad you are here today to worship the Triune God with us. Our prayer is that we will delight to:

Glorify God in all things,
Trust him for all things,
Proclaim him as King over all things,
So that we might love God and others through all things.

Our worship begins with God calling us into worship from his Word; we respond in adoration and praise.

We then hear our God speak to us in his Word, profess our faith in him, confess our sins to him, and hear his assurance of our pardon by the work of Christ.

This leads to a response of rejoicing as we prepare to hear the Word of God preached. Our church practices expository preaching. This means that the Bible determines the content of the messages. The messages “come out of” the text. Ordinarily, we preach through books of the Bible; currently, we are working our way through Exodus.

In the book of Exodus we see the invisible hand of God leading God’s people out of their sin and slavery into the promised land where they can worship him according to the instructions he gives. We are always looking for how these stories and instructions point us to Christ and the gospel empowered way to live.

Our Elders have been praying for you. May you encounter God today through his Word and by the presence of his Spirit.

Warmly,
Pastor Andy

Order of Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Psalm 121:1-2

Where does our help come from?

Our help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

Preparation for Worship

O GOD,

You are life, wisdom, truth, bounty, and blessedness, the eternal, the only true good; our God and our Lord, you are our hope and our heart's joy—we acknowledge with thanksgiving that you have made us in your image, and that we may direct our thoughts to you. Lord, make us know you aright, that we may love, enjoy, and possess you more and more through Jesus Christ.

-Anselm

Call to Worship

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

² Serve the LORD with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

³ Know that the LORD, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

⁵ For the LORD is good;

his steadfast love endures forever,

and his faithfulness to all generations.

Hymn of Praise — All People That on Earth Do Dwell



1. All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheer - ful voice; him
2. The Lord ye know is God in - deed; with - out our aid he did us make; we
3. O en - ter then his gates with praise, ap - proach with joy his courts un - to; praise,
4. For why? The Lord our God is good, his mer - cy is for - e - ver sure; his



serve with fear, his praise forth - tell, come ye be - fore him and re - joice.
are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
laud, and bless his name al - ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.
truth at all times firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en - dure.

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Praise — I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

1. I greet thee, who my sure redeemer art,
 2. Thou art the King of mercy and of grace,
 3. Thou art the Life, by which alone we live,
 4. Thou hast the true and perfect gentleness,
 5. Our hope is in no other save in thee;

my on - ly trust and Sa - vior of my heart,
 reign - ing om - ni - po - tent in e - v'ry place:
 and all our sub - stance and our strength re - ceive;
 no harsh - ness hast thou and no bit - ter - ness:
 our faith is built up - on thy pro - mise free;

who pain didst un - der - go for my poor sake;
 so come, O King, and our whole be - ing sway;
 O com - fort us in death's ap - proach - ing hour,
 make us to taste the sweet grace found in thee
 O grant to us such strong - er hope and sure

I pray thee, from our hearts all cares to take.
 shine on us with the light of thy pure day.
 strong - heart - ed then to face it by thy pow'r.
 and e - ver stay in thy sweet u - ni - ty.
 that we can bold - ly con - quer and en - dure.

Scripture Reading — Selected Texts

Matthew 6:19-21

Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰ but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Ephesians 4:28

Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need.

1 Timothy 6:6-10

But godliness with contentment is great gain, ⁷ for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. ⁸ But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. ⁹ But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

1 Peter 1:3-5

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Profession of Faith — Heidelberg question 110

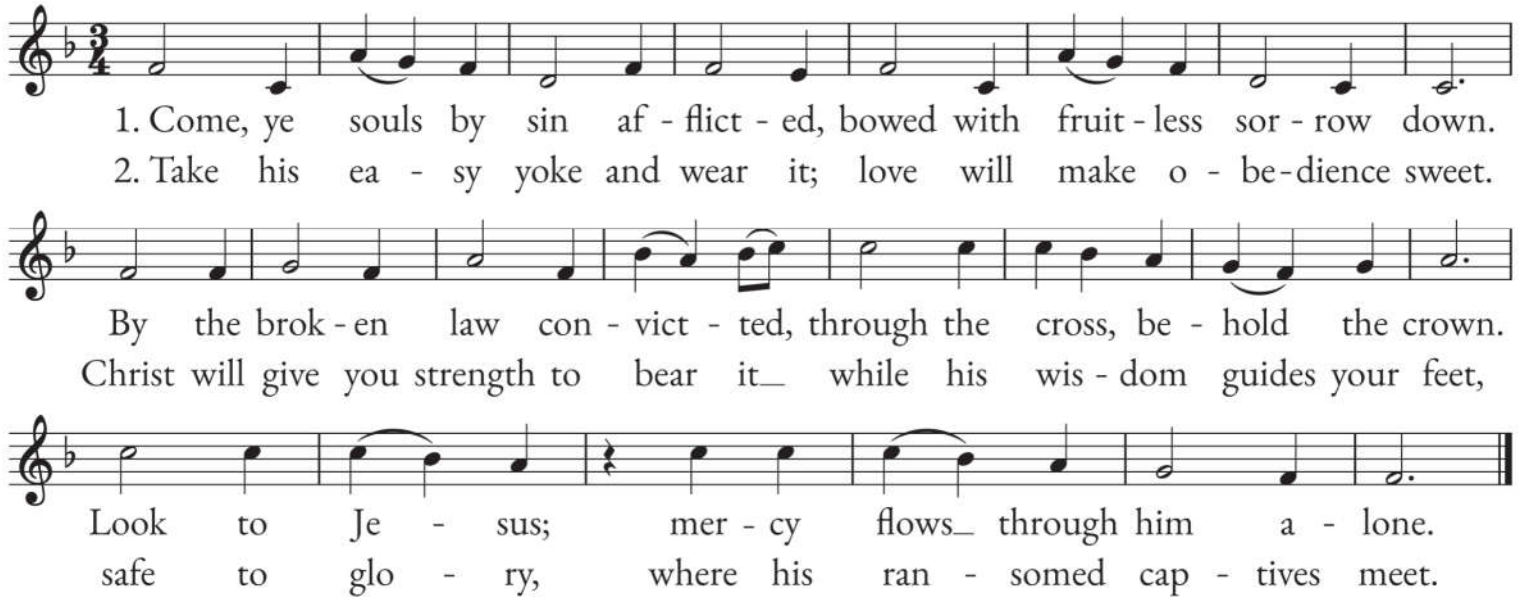
What does God forbid in the eighth commandment?

God forbids not only outright theft and robbery, punishable by law. But in God's sight theft also includes all scheming and swindling in order to get our neighbor's goods for ourselves, whether by force or means that appear legitimate, such as inaccurate measurements of weight, size, or volume; fraudulent merchandising; counterfeit money; excessive interest; or any other means forbidden by God. In addition God forbids all greed and pointless squandering of his gifts.

What does God require of you in this commandment?

That I do whatever I can for my neighbor's good, that I treat others as I would like them to treat me, and that I work faithfully so that I may share with those in need.

Song of Confession — Come, Ye Souls by Sin Afflicted



1. Come, ye souls by sin af - flict - ed, bowed with fruit - less sor - row down.
2. Take his ea - sy yoke and wear it; love will make o - be-dience sweet.

By the brok - en law con - vict - ted, through the cross, be - hold the crown.
Christ will give you strength to bear it_ while his wis - dom guides your feet,

Look to Je - sus; mer - cy flows_ through him a - lone.
safe to glo - ry, where his ran - somed cap - tives meet.

Prayer of Confession

Our Father which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil:

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever.
Amen.

Assurance of Pardon — Ephesians 2:4-7

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

To all who have received the Gospel,
know that in Christ, your sins are forgiven and be at peace.

Song of Rejoicing – His Mercy is More

1. What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done? Om -
2. What pa - tience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam? What
3. What rich - es of kind - ness he lav - ished on us! His

ni - scient, all know - ing he counts not their sum. Thrown
Fa - ther so ten - der is call - ing us home? He
blood was the pay - ment; his life was the cost. We

in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore,
wel - comes the weak - est, the vil - est, the poor; our
stood 'neath a debt we could ne - ver a - ford;

sins they are ma - ny; his mer - cy is more. Praise the
Lord! His mer - cy is more!

Strong - er than dark - ness, new e - v'ry morn; our
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sins, they are ma - ny; his mer - cy is more.

Sermon

**The Eighth Commandment
and True Treasure**

Pastor Andy Aikens

Exodus 20:15

Sermon Notes:

Song of Response – My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness



1. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to him who bore my pain, who
2. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to him who walks be-side, who
3. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to him who reigns a-bove, whose
plumbed the depths of my dis-grace and gave me life a-gain. Who
floods my weak-ness-es with strength and cau-ses fears to fly. Whose
wis-dom is my per-fect peace, whose ev-'ry thought is love. For
crushed my curse of sin-ful-ness and clothed me in his light, and
e-v'ry pro-mise is e-nough for e-v'ry step I take, su-
e-v'ry day I have on Earth is gi-ven by the King; so—
wrote his law of right-eous-ness with power up-on my heart.
-stain-ing me with arms of love and crown-ing me with grace.
I will give my life, my all, to love and fol-low him.

Benediction – Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly
than all that we ask or think,
according to the power at work within us,
²¹ to him be glory in the church
and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations,
forever and ever. Amen.

News and Announcements

Men's Bible study resumes Thursday, July 23, 9 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall.

Pray for Pastor Peter Dietsch and his wife Stacie for God's leadership in all their transition details as they prepare to come to FPC Crossville.

First Catechism

What is the gospel and its reward?

God, the righteous Creator, rescues sinful people by reconciling them to himself through Jesus' sinless life, death, and resurrection. Repenting of our sins and believing in Jesus' work unites us to Jesus and transforms us to grow in ways pleasing to God. The eternal presence of God is our reward!

Weeks 1-5 God

Weeks 6-12 Creation

Weeks 13-19 Fall/Sin

Weeks 20-28 Salvation by grace alone, through Christ alone

Weeks 29-30 Repentance and Faith

Weeks 31-48 Growing in Grace

Weeks 49-52 Heaven now and in the future

Week 44 - July 19

What did Christ give us to teach us about prayer?

The Lord's Prayer.

What is the Lord's Prayer?

Our Father in Heaven,

Hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And do not lead us into temptation,

But deliver us from the evil one.

For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.

Amen.

Schedule

Sunday Morning Worship Service
Sunday Morning Bible Study (all ages)
Sunday Evening Worship
Women's Monday Theology Study
Men's Thursday Bible Study
Octogenarian/Nonagenarian (ON) Lunch
Women's Tuesday Bible Study

10:45 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
6:00 p.m. On Break
2:00 p.m.
9:00 a.m.
Monthly
9:30 a.m. On Break

Our Missionary Family International

Lydia Goeglein, MTW Sofia Bulgaria
Brian & Becky Schrader, Pioneers in Africa
Lee Leadbetter, RUF International at UT
Julian & Rachel Bacon, MTW Brussels
Koos & Bhless Hagg, MTW, Southeast Asia

North America & Local

Plateau Pregnancy Services
Good Samaritans, 10th Street
RUF Tennessee Tech, Ryan Angel
Rural Church Development, Corey Pelton
Myers Park Initiative, Greg Salazar
Mercy Presbyterian, Rob Herron
Occom Ministries, Native American Initiative

Session

Andy Aikens TE, Senior Pastor
Robert Berman, RE '27
Eric Larson, RE '28
Jim Sparks RE '26
Richard Parks RE '27
Forrest Marion RE, Clerk, '26

Deacons

Dave Miser, Chair, '28
John Reed '26
Mike Tuuk '27
Greg Wood '28

Staff

Music/Sound Director	Matt Bundy
School of Music Director	April Stewart
Finance/Admin	Holly Kisly

Security Team

Today	Aubrey Lewis
Next Week	Bill Allbright

Ministry Support

Treasurer	Bill Allbright
Newsletter	Darlene Gendjar
Library	Kathy Pipkin
Children's Ministry	Hope Aikens

Greeters

Today	Paul & Eleanor Folta
Next Week	Christian & Brianna Ragle

Nursery

Today	Hope Aikens Brianna Ragle
Next Week	Yasha Bitner Reba Norris